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**CASE SUMMARY:**

Victim [REDACTED] [REDACTED] reported to the Scottsdale Police Dept that while at Scottsdale Health Care – Shea hospital, her three (3) credit cards and two blank checks were stolen from her purse. I was given account statements from all four accounts tied to the missing cards/checks. I noticed several unauthorized transactions on the accounts after the date of theft. I noticed that almost all of the fraudulent uses of the accounts occurred on the west side of the valley at Target stores, Wal-Marts and Walgreens. The number of transactions on [REDACTED] accounts was approximately 10 card uses. One of the stolen checks was cashed for \$3,000, and the other was attempted to be cashed for \$7,000.

I obtained video for most of the transactions. On the videos I reviewed, every transaction is made by a black female with a noticeable receding hairline. In most of the videos, the suspect was wearing hospital “scrubs” and is seen getting into a dark colored Chevrolet Trailblazer on two occasions. I also obtained video from Wal-Mart, where there was a white or Hispanic female using one of the stolen cards. In that video, I could clearly see that the suspect was wearing a “Scottsdale Health Care” t-shirt on. While speaking to Target Loss Prevention, I was informed that the female suspect also used two other cards belonging to:

[REDACTED] (DR #09-01329)  
[REDACTED] (DR #09-03360)

*I discovered 32 fraudulent charges on the two above credit cards at Target alone.*

I check with both names, and discovered that they were victims of credit card theft and recent patients at SHC – Shea.

I printed out a photo of both suspects and brought them to SHC-Shea security. Security director Frank Kroll informed me that the Hispanic female in the photo was Nancy Adame. Other security officers told me that the black female was [REDACTED] was later excluded as a suspect in this case after being interviewed). Security staff also informed me that Adame was working at that current time. I spoke with Adame at the hospital, and asked her about the card uses. Adame admitted to me that she stole one card from [REDACTED] purse while she was at the hospital, and used the card fraudulently. She said that she only took one card and did not know who took the other two cards and checks. She was arrested, and searched. During the search, a credit card was found in her pocket. The card was issued to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who was a current patient at the hospital (DR #09-03341). I spoke to the victim [REDACTED] and she confirmed that her card was stolen from her while at the hospital.

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I then looked into the stolen checks. The check that was cashed, was made out to "Justin Southard". Chase Bank provided me with a copy of the check, and a photo of the male who cashed the check. After looking at the photo, I confirmed that Justin Southard cashed the check. I went to Southard's home, and asked him about the check. He admitted to cashing the check, and knowing that it was stolen. He said that he got the check from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who is an acquaintance of his. Southard was arrested for Forgery.

I checked into [REDACTED] and looked for a female acquaintance who is the female in the surveillance videos. [REDACTED] who had an address of 3728 S 104<sup>th</sup> Lane in Tolleson, AZ lived with a female named, Sylvia Cubit. I pulled up a photo of Cubit and noticed that she looked exactly like the female in the videos, and had a distinct receding hairline. I then checked MVD and discovered that she owned a 2005 Chevy Trailblazer. I entered the plate ([REDACTED]) in the LPR (License Plate Reader) database, and noticed that the vehicle had two database entries. Once was on 06/11/2008, and the photo showed the dark colored Trailblazer parked in front of SHC Shea at 1215 hrs. The other entry showed the vehicle parked in front of SHC Shea on 12/11/08 at 0303 hrs. I called Scottsdale Health Care - Shea and asked them if Cubit was employed there. They confirmed with me that Cubit is a phlebotomist at the hospital.

A search warrant was drafted and signed. On 02/03/09, the search warrant was executed at 3728 S 104<sup>th</sup> Ln in Tolleson, AZ. Numerous evidentiary items were located in the home to include:

- Receipts for purchases with the victims' names and card numbers on them
- Items purchased with the victims' credit cards including:
  - Nintendo DS and Games
  - Bedding
  - Clothes Iron
  - DVD's
  - CD's
- Numerous documents naming previously unknown victims
- Clothes Cubit was wearing at the time of the fraudulent purchases

Cubit was interviewed (recorded) at the time the search was conducted. Cubit admitted to taking four (4) cards and two blank checks from three patients at the hospital, and making fraudulent purchases with them. She also admitted to using the cards at various locations and purchasing items for the house. She also said that she gave the two stolen, blank checks to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] because "he would know how to get them cashed". She also admitted to purchasing a Nintendo Wii, and giving it to [REDACTED] to sell "on the street". The agreement between them was that [REDACTED] would sell the Wii and

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give half of the proceeds to Cubit. It is unknown at this time who bought the Wii from [REDACTED] Cubit was ultimately arrested and transported to the District 3 jail.

While interviewed at the jail (recorded to DVD), Cubit admitted to victimizing up to twenty (20) people, and targeting elderly patients at SHC – Shea.

***\*\*It should be noted that at least 10 more potential victims have been located, and more charges will be added to this case before the investigation is completed.***

**SUSPECT:**

- Sylvia Cubit – B/F (DOB 03/16/68)
- Justin Southard – W/M (DOB 08/06/87)
- Nancy Adame – W/F (DOB 04/25/72)

**CHARGES REQUESTED:**

Sylvia Cubit

- ARS 13-2102.A1 – Theft of a Credit Card (3 COUNTS)
- ARS 13-2105.A1 – Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card (3 COUNTS)
- ARS 13-2009.A1 – Aggravated ID Theft
- ARS 13-2002.A1 – Forgery (2 COUNTS)
- ARS 13-2010.A – Trafficking in ID
- ARS 13-2307.A – Trafficking in Stolen Property

Nancy Adame

- ARS 13-2102.A1 – Theft of a Credit Card (2 COUNTS)
- ARS 13-2105.A1 – Fraudulent Use of a Credit Card
- ARS 13-2002.A1 – Forgery

Justin Southard

- ARS 13-2002.A1 – Forgery

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